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Extracting the HI 21 cm signal from the ground-based observation using Artificial Neural Networks

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Observation of 21-cm Signal

$$\delta T_b(\nu) = \frac{T_s - T_\gamma}{1 + z} (1 - \exp^{-\tau_{\nu_0}})$$
$$\delta T_b \approx 27(1 - x_i) \left(\frac{\Omega_{b,0}h^2}{0.023}\right) \left(\frac{0.15}{\Omega_{m,0}h^2} \frac{1 + z}{10}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 - \frac{T_\gamma}{T_s}\right)$$

Field 1959; Pritchard & Loeb 2012

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TCMB

Observing type: Single radiometer

Signal: Global 21-cm Signal

Experiments: EDGES, SARAS, BigHorns, LEDA, REACH



Observing type: Radio Interferometers

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Signal : HI 21cm Power Spectrum, Tomography of IGM

Experiments : LOFAR, GMRT, HERA, MWA, SKA



21CM Cosmology: Observational Challenges



Galactic and Extragalactic Foreground

Radio Frequency Interference (RFI)

• Other Systematics effects

• Earth's lonosphere



Fig : Schematic representation of the ionosphere showing the F- and D- layers (not scaled), which show the refraction. (Datta et al. 2016)

> In **E. Shen et al. 2022**, it is demonstrated that, under turbulent ionospheric conditions, an error exceeding 5 % in our understanding of the ionospheric parameters could result in false or null detection.

21CM GLOBAL SIGNAL: Effect of Ionosphere







Conclusion: Simple ANN is robust in 21cm signal parameter estimates in presence of slowly varying ionosphere.

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Flowchart: Observational Pipeline - 21cmE2E

• In A. Mazumder et al. 2022, they have developed the 21cmE2E pipeline to simulate interferometric observation.



Simulation inputs for the Synthetic Observation



Right Ascension (J2000)

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Utility of this Observation Pipeline for Various Scientific Case Studies



Power Spectrum Estimation : Gain Calibration Error

□ Power spectrum analysis - Spherical averaged PS follows signal power if residual calibration error is > 0.1% is exceeds signal power significantly for greater error



Mazumder et al. 2022

Power Spectrum Estimation : Position error

Power spectrum analysis - Spherical averaged PS follows signal power if sources are displaced by > 0.5 arcsec, greater error lead to higher amplitude of residual power wrt signal power.



Mazumder et al. 2022

Training Data sets

1e-6



Tripathi A et al. (in prep)



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MCMC Prediction for different Astrophysical Conditions



- In all cases, the ANN-based MCMC model's inferred ionizing efficiency (ζ) and T_{vir} closely match true values, but R_{mfp} is highly degenerate.
- Indicates model robustness for further study of calibrated Gain error and position error.

SKA1-Low with Gain Calibration Error



SKA1-Low with Position Error



Summary/Future Work

GLOBAL 21 CM SIGNAL EXTRACTION

- ANN signal extraction is robust against slowly varying lonosphere.
- Future work to include more dynamic ionosphere along with chromatic telescope beam.

21CM FLUCTUATIONS - POWER SPECTRA

- If the gain error exceeds 0.001% for interferometer, our derived astrophysical parameters will be biased due to the presence of gain error.
- Position errors exceeding 0.05 arcsec will bias the astrophysical parameters.
- This pipeline can be extended to study effects of chromatic primary beam, radio frequency interferences, foregrounds with spectral features.

Thank you